Chapter 212: The System's Gateway to the Arenas

The Gladiator’s Arenas had become a monumental attraction in the multiverse, but participation and spectation were strictly regulated. Only the believers, followers, or worshippers of the Twelve Divine Beings could access the Arenas, ensuring their sanctity and exclusivity. This restriction was enforced through the System, a divine construct that seamlessly integrated with every believer’s existence.

The System's Role

The System allowed participants and spectators to interact with the Arenas in ways that transcended physical limitations:

1. Teleportation Access:

Spectators were transported directly to their designated seats in the grand coliseums, where they could watch the battles unfold.

Participants were teleported to private preparation rooms, equipped with all the necessities for pre-combat rituals.

2. Reward Mechanism:

Winners received unique rewards such as divine relics, rare materials, system enhancements, or even direct blessings from the Twelve Divine Beings.

Additional System Points were also granted, which could be used to level up abilities, purchase treasures, or enhance their existence.

3. Universal Inclusivity:

Participants ranged across numerous races: humans, elves, dwarves, hobgoblins, high-orcs, high-trolls, ogres, centaurs, minotaurs, celestial beings, and countless others. Any being with intelligence and a belief in the Twelve Divine Beings could join.

This approach elevated the Arenas into a true melting pot of the multiverse, fostering a competitive spirit that transcended racial and cultural boundaries.

The Shadow Sovereign’s Participation

To further ignite the fervor surrounding the Arenas, Sung Jin-Woo himself decided to participate. However, instead of directly stepping into the battlefield, he employed a unique method that demonstrated both his ingenuity and his absolute mastery over his powers.

1. Creation of the Clone:
Sung Jin-Woo created a clone with a power level of S^9-Rank—the peak of recorded mana power in the multiverse. The clone was indistinguishable from a true being, possessing the same battle instincts and skillsets as Jin-Woo himself, but with limited power to keep the contest fair.

2. Astral Projection:
Using his astralization skill, Sung Jin-Woo descended upon the clone, merging his consciousness with it. This allowed him to fight in the Arenas as though he were physically present, while his true self remained in the Umbra Citadel.

3. Remote Control:
Sung Jin-Woo maintained complete control over the clone using his immense mental capabilities, commanding it with precision from his seat of power. This method enabled him to participate in the battles without directly intervening in the multiverse’s balance.

The Clone’s Entrance

The day Sung Jin-Woo’s clone entered the Gladiator’s Arenas, the multiverse trembled with anticipation. Whispers spread like wildfire among the spectators and participants:
"The Shadow Sovereign himself fights today!"

The clone, cloaked in black armor adorned with shadowy tendrils, walked into the arena with an aura that silenced even the most boisterous crowds. Every step it took seemed to resonate with the heartbeat of the multiverse.

The First Battle

Sung Jin-Woo’s first opponent was a towering High-Orc Warchief, wielding a massive battle axe imbued with flames. The Warchief snarled, its muscles rippling with raw power as it charged toward the clone.

The battle was a spectacle of strategy and skill:

The Warchief relied on brute strength and fiery attacks, attempting to overwhelm the clone.

The clone, however, moved with surgical precision, dodging with ease and retaliating with devastating shadow strikes.

The crowd roared as the battle reached its climax. In a swift, decisive move, the clone unleashed a shadow burst, enveloping the Warchief in darkness and ending the fight.

The Aftermath

The victory was met with thunderous applause, and Sung Jin-Woo’s clone became an instant legend in the Gladiator’s Arenas. Yet, this was only the beginning.

By participating in the Arenas, Sung Jin-Woo not only inspired his followers but also demonstrated the infinite possibilities of strength, strategy, and growth. His actions set a new standard for warriors across the multiverse, proving that even the most powerful being in existence could find joy and purpose in the thrill of battle.

The Gladiator’s Arenas, now graced by the Shadow Sovereign’s presence, solidified their place as the ultimate battleground of the multiverse—a stage where gods, mortals, and legends converged.